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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicants submit this Information Disclosure Statement which includes a completed Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the corresponding International Search Report.

The references identified in the Form PTO-1449 were cited in an International Search Report dated July 13, 1998 for the underlying PCT Application No. PCT/EP97/04759. Copies of the references cited in the International Search Report are not enclosed because the Notification of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. §371 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.494 or 1.495, dated July 15, 1999, indicated that the International Search Report and references cited therein were received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The degree of relevance for the language reference DE 35. 919, cited 44 the German International Search Report is indicated in the Search Report.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed to be due for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, as it is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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